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Title: STEEL FOR HIGH BEARING
PRESSURE-RESISTANT
MEMBER, HAVING HIGH
MACHINABILITY, AND HIGH
BEARING PRESSURE-
RESISTANT MEMBER USING
SAME STEEL

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 1, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: